the strengthening of business contacts between the trading organisations of the two countries;

(6) Both Governments shall consult each other for exploration of new avenues in the field of industrial cooperation as well as for the utilisation of existing ones; and

(7) Both Governments have agreed to assist each other in the development of cooperation between their industrial and commercial enterprises for the purpose of pooling together their resources and technical knowhow for jointly cultivating the third country markets and for meeting the mutual needs arising from industrial development in third countries.

Release of funds for the development of tourism in the Southern States

940. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount released so far by the Central Government to different Southern States for the development of tourism in these States during the current financial year;

(b) whether the Central Government have obtained any progress reports from these States; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT): (a) The Department does not allocate funds State-wise/Region-wise; it rather provides central assistance on the request of the State Governments based on the merits of the projects, inter-se priorities and availability of funds with the Department. The total amount released during the current financial year so far, for each Southern States is as follows—

(Rs. lakhs)

1. Andhra Pradesh	4.75
2. Karnataka	9.00
3. Kerala	47.56
4. Tamil Nadu	27.67

(b) and (c) The State Governments forward to the Department the periodical progress reports on the projects sanctioned. The Ministry called for Southern States Tourism Ministers' Officials' Meeting at Mamallapuram in December, 1985 and reviewed the progress of various projects.

Non-plan expenditure

941. SHRI CHITTA BASU:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the non-Plan expenditure of the Central Government has exceeded the original estimate during the Sixth Plan period;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the total estimates on this account during the Seventh Plan period;

(d) whether a Study Group has been set-up under the Chairmanship of the Cabinet Secretary, to review all plan schemes and non-Plan expenditure; and

(e) if so, whether the Group has since submitted its report and if so, what are its recommendations and what action has been taken thereon by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Inflationary pres-